

## Message Text

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DRAFTED BY ARA/AND/C:DWC;;  
APPROVED BY ARA:JBUSHNELL  
ARA/AND:MRBARNEBEY  
ARA:FJMCNEIL  
S/NM:MCCHESSES  
WH:CO'KEEFE (SUBS)

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FM SECSTATE WASHDC  
TO AMEMBASSY BOGOTA NIACT IMMEDIATE

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FOR THE AMBASSADOR

E.O. 11652: GDS

TAGS: SNAR CO

SUBJECT: "60 MINUTES" TV PROGRAM: ALLEGATIONS ABOUT  
INVOLVMENT OF JULIO CESAR TURBAY IN NARCOTICS TRAFFICKING

REF: AMBASSADOR'S TELECONS WITH BARNEBEY AND COX

DEPARTMENT UNDERSTANDS THAT LIBERAL PRESIDENTIAL CANDIDATE  
JULIO CESAR TURBAY IS REQUESTING A LETTER FROM YOU CLARI-  
FYING ALLEGATIONS RAISED IN THE APRIL 2 "60 MINUTES"  
TELEVISION PROGRAM THAT HE WAS INVOLVED IN NARCOTICS  
TRAFFICKING. YOU ARE AUTHORIZED TO INCLUDE THE FOLLOWING  
STATEMENT IN THE LETTER: "IT IS THE POSITION OF MY  
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GOVERNMENT THAT, WHILE THERE HAVE BEEN UNSUBSTANTIATED  
ALLEGATIONS, THERE IS NO EVIDENCE OF INVOLVEMENT ON YOUR  
PART IN NARCOTICS TRAFFICKING." DEPARTMENT ALSO CONCURS  
IN YOUR PROPOSAL TO INCLUDE IN THE LETTER A STATEMENT TO  
THE EFFECT THAT YOU PERSONALLY FIND THE CHARGES AGAINST  
TURBAY INCOMPREHENSIBLE. CHRISTOPHER

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## Message Attributes

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